**Too Much Homework**

I believe we get too much homework. I think this because we have four different main classes and only three teachers give homework but it’s a lot all added up; basically every day. I think we should get less homework on a daily basis and no homework on the weekends for these reasons.

We have activities at home that interfere for less time to do our homework. Activities like sports, after school clubs, vacations, and other personal plans that give us less time for doing our homework. These activities interfere with homework giving us less time to finish it which we may not lowering our grade in that class. This may also cause us to rush, guess, and not understand what the homework is trying to teach us. So the next day we’ll be somewhat clueless and not understand the work in school. Kids may not even bother doing the assigned homework.

Another reason is we don’t get enough personal time. If we get a lot of homework we won’t be able to hang out with our friends or at least have very limited time; or to do something else on our personal time. This also gives us a break from school. I think if we get less homework, we will be able to relax and have fun. This gives us a break from school and not worry about homework.

If we get more personal time we’ll get all of our stress out. This will cause us to pay more attention in school and learn more because we’ll be focused and our stress will be out. Homework can cause stress as well as frustration. This frustration may come out on friends and family. This may cause problems between the two. This may cause us to fight and lose friends. And if you lose friends they might bully you and you might, but very rarely drop out of school.

Now, I’m going to interview two of my friends and classmates; Ravi Mangru, Zach Christian, and Austin Berger on the topic of too much homework. Ravi explains to me that we get homework sometimes normally but usually we get more than enough. Ravi also says when we get a lot of homework it does cause him stress. He told me that when he gets stressed over his homework it becomes harder for him and it takes longer. But, he does manage to get the assignments accomplished. After he’s done with all of his assignments he becomes very tired. So when Ravi’s done, like most kids, he plays video games to get his stress out. He talks and plays video games with his friends and family on his personal time to get his stress out. Switching it up a bit here I’m going to interview Zach. He says that most of the time we get more than enough homework to deal with. He also explained to me that he plays lacrosse and when he has practice he has to speed up his homework to be on time. Sometimes he has to wait until after practice to complete his homework. Now, last but not least Austin tells me that we do get a lot of homework, but he also explains that he thinks the teachers are preparing us for middle school. He feels this is necessary once in a while but not all the time.

Recently, I did some research on the effects of too much homework. Research states that too much homework causes less family time at home, tearing families apart. Homework also brings school problems and troubles home. Also research states that some principals of schools believe some children are losing their childhood to too much homework. Also little children are complaining that they have lack of sleep because of all the homework assigned for that night. They also report a high stress level. Schools are also voting for no homework on weekends and vacations and on week days only ten minutes for how many years of school you have gone through, (second grade gets twenty minutes for instance). Now when I researched a twelve year old girl had problems with homework as well. Her name is Sarah and she expressed that she always stays up late doing homework; tired. She had this problem until finally her parents went to her teachers and talked with them who soon lowered the homework. So, there’s research that supports my claim.

I’ve had some recent experiences of my own. So just recently I had an after school club, Chess, that gets out around 4:20 p.m.. Then later in the day I had a basketball game at 7:00 p.m.. But our coach wants us their forty minutes early. I also have to eat dinner and get ready for the game. So that gives me a little less than an out to do my homework.

So, too much homework is bad and we should get less for those reasons. It is bad for many kids to get a lot of homework especially younger kids that can’t handle all of it at such a young age. And at that, I conclude my claim that we get too much home work.

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